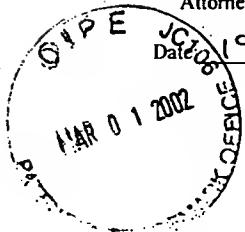


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend that application as follows:

In the specification

Please replace paragraphs 0058, 0059, 0065, 0068, 0069 and 0070 with the following:

[0058] The mechanical hardware for driving the trays 62 is illustrated in FIG. 11 through 15. In FIG. 11, a perspective view of a drive chassis 100 is illustrated. The chassis carries motors 102-1 through 102-12 which are each used to drive one tray 62. As seen best in FIG. 15, a shaft 104-1 through 104-12 of each motor drives an associated worm gear 106-1 through 106-12, respectively. As seen best in FIGS. 12 and 15, each side-by-side pair of motors drives one of the upper trays and the lower tray directly beneath it. That is accomplished, in part, by each worm gear 106-1 through 106-12 mating with and driving a gear 108-1 through 108-12. An upper shaft carries odd numbered gears 108-1, 108-3, 108-5, 108-7, 108-9, and 108-11 while a lower shaft carries even numbered gears 108-2, 108-4, 108-6, 108-8, 108-10, and 108-12. An upper clutch rod 110 and a lower clutch rod 111 are responsive to an override mechanism 113 operated by a user through an override bar 115. Movement of the override bar 115 to the right in FIG. 11 causes both the upper clutch rod 110 and lower clutch rod 111 to move to the left as seen